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M. A. ABRAHAMS TOKENS

Mt. Olive Cemetery on the SW corner of Hanley and Olive Street Road began about 1860 in St. Louis County which then included the City of St. Louis,

Its records show that:

A.M. Abrahams who died Oct. 23, 1873 from closure of the heart at the age of 65 was a native of Philadelphia and resided at 112 North 9th St. in the City of St. Louis at the time of his death.

His burial plot is Lot 5 in Block 2 and has a sandstone marker, the text having been totally obliterated by time.

Another grave on the lot is Phoebe Abrahams (not spelled Phebe) who died Dec. 11, 1888. Phoebe's vital records on the card say 88 years, 3 months, 29 days and that she was a native of Holland, lived at 2732 Olive and died of senile debility. This contradicts the 1850 Jackson County census but is probably right. She was older than Abraham. Many Dutch Jews came to England and then America.

The Mount Olive Cemetery records are extracted originally from the records of the United Hebrew Congregation which I also checked. There is a plot of each area at the cemetery but there is no further detail on the two named people.

There are no probated estates or wills for either

Abraham M. Abrahams

or

Phoebe (Phebe) Abrahams

All counterfeits are from the same basic plate.
The plate letter and engraver's name may be changed.

On Genuine

Demi john bottom is curved up on left end.
Vignette on right has both feet same size.
Vignette on right has group of 7 men of which 1st & 2nd are same size and 3rd & 4th are same size.
Dots in frames of Fifty Dollars are normal.

On Counterfeit

Demi john bottom is a straight line.
Vignette on right has man's left foot too large
Vignette on right has group of 7 men of which 2nd is taller than 1st and 3rd is taller than 4th.
Left side of dotted frame of the 6th Fifty Dollars from right of bottom border has 3rd & 4th dots touching

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